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The State Committee on Aging is pleased to announce that the annual nomination and selection process for the Joseph D. Vaughan awards is fast approaching. Once again, we will be recognizing the invaluable work and specific achievements of selected volunteers.

The Joseph D. Vaughan Award is a joint effort of the NH State Committee on Aging and of the NH Bureau of Elderly and Adult Services to recognize outstanding leadership and initiative among seniors in New Hampshire. Nominations of senior volunteers for this award are currently being solicited. One senior (or one couple) from each county will be selected for recognition.

The Joseph D. Vaughan Award was initiated in 1962 to memorialize the Honorable Joseph D. Vaughan, a New Hampshire legislator, who was an early advocate on behalf of seniors and was instrumental in creating a State Agency dedicated to the well being of senior citizens.

To be eligible for consideration, nominees must be: **An individual or couple residing in New Hampshire, must be over the age of 60, who has shown outstanding leadership or demonstrated meritorious achievement, as a volunteer, on behalf of the older citizens of New Hampshire.**

A committee will review all nominations and then select the volunteers to be honored. On the attached form please include: The type of service provided; the community need that was met; the number of hours of service provided; innovative activities undertaken; how the volunteer's efforts contributed to personal growth and the growth of others; the impact of the volunteer's service on the community; how the volunteer's commitment and dedication stand out; how the volunteer has influenced others to volunteer, etc.

Those selected by the committee to receive the Joseph D. Vaughan Award for each county will be invited to participate in a ceremony honoring their accomplishments.

The awards ceremony is tentatively scheduled for the week of May 11, 2009.

Enclosed is a copy of the "Nomination Form". Nominations must be received no later than March 20, 2009.

Respectfully yours,

Judy Pilliod, Vice Chairman
State Committee on Aging